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DEPARTMENT PASS WHITE HOUSE FOR DR. BOURNE

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDEV, TBIO, PGOV, IZ, US
SUBJECT: IRAQI REQUEST FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

REF: STATE 198055

1. REFTEL RECEIVED AUGUST 24, AND I SPOKE TO FOREIGN
MINISTER DIRECTOR GENERAL ZAHAWI FOLLOWING DAY. HE
WELCOMED OUR INITIATIVE, EXPRESSING PERSONAL VIEW THAT
MEDICAL FIELD WAS IDEAL AREA IN WHICH TO BROADEN OUR
RELATIONS AT THIS STAGE. HE AGREED TO SEEK APPOINTMENT
FOR ME WITH MINISTER OF HEALTH BUT CAUTIONED THAT I
MIGHT HAVE TO SETTLE FOR MEETING AT LOWER LEVEL. I
STRESSED FACT THAT CONTACTS BETWEEN DR. BOURNE AND
MINISTER OF HEALTH HAD BEEN DIRECT ONES AND THAT
MINISTER MIGHT BE ONLY ONE FAMILIAR WITH DETAILS. I
REFERRED IN GENERAL WAY TO CORRESPONDENCE BUT DID NOT
MENTION MINISTER'S JUNE 12 LETTER.

2. I AM HOPEFUL THAT MEETING WILL BE PROMPTLY ARRANGED,
BUT SINCE THIS WOULD BE FIRST FORMAL MEETING BETWEEN
USINT OFFICIAL AND ANYONE OF FULL CABINET RANK IT WILL
BE MAJOR STEP FOR IRAQIS. HEALTH MINISTER IS
PRESENTLY IN IRAN, WHICH MAY ALSO DELAY RESPONSE. I
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WAS SPECIFIC ABOUT THE PREFERRED DATES FOR A TRIP, AND
ZAHAWI SAID HE APPRECIATED THE URGENT NEED TO GET
CONFIRMATION THAT THE VISIT COULD TAKE PLACE.
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